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Dear Fellow State Employee:

The Commonwealth's Performance Recognition Program is an important way in which we say "thank you" to our colleagues who have demonstrated outstanding job commitment and achieved positive results for the people of Massachusetts.

It is a special honor to represent Governor Patrick in celebrating the high quality of work performed by exceptional state employees. The Patrick-Murray Administration values the contribution of state workers, both in our daily jobs and as citizens and volunteers helping in our communities and charitable organizations. It is a goal of this Administration to help restore the confidence in the state workforce and our pride and satisfaction in the jobs we do day in and day out.

This year, November 6<sup>th</sup>, has been designated "Performance Recognition Day," an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of state employees who have been nominated by their colleagues for special achievements, devotion and passion for excellence.

Please join me in celebrating the outstanding accomplishments of this year's winners. On behalf of Governor Patrick and Lieutenant Governor Murray, I offer congratulations to those honored this year and thanks for a job superbly done.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jay Gonzalez", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jay Gonzalez  
Secretary of Administration and Finance